

## GREETING:

We are sincerely appreciative of the liberal patronage extended us during the past year and wish to all A Merry Christmas and Happy and Prosperous Coming Year.

The remnants of our Holiday Lines will be sold at a Heavy Reduction during the coming week.

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### CHRISTMAS BRIF AT MANILA

**Packages For The Soldiers Arrive. Native Troops in Suburban Camp Anxiety.**

MANILA, Dec. 22.—The steamer St. Paul has arrived here with the Christmas packages sent from the United States to the soldiers.

The first American flag was raised over the Manila schoolhouse yesterday. It was sent by the University of Pennsylvania. The honor of raising the flag was accorded to Father McKinnon, of California, in recognition of his services in reopening the schools.

The native troops encamped in the suburbs are again causing anxiety. The attitude of an insurgent detachment at the Pandacan bridge on Wednesday was such that the California, Idaho and Washington regiments were concentrated in light marching order at short notice, but trouble was avoided.

The cruiser Boston and the gunboat Petrel have arrived here from Chinese ports.

The steamer Union, which has returned here from Iloilo with native and Spanish soldiers, has been refused a landing.

MADRID, Dec. 23.—According to a dispatch received here from Iloilo, Island of Panay, in the Philippines, several engagements have taken place recently between the Spaniards and the insurgents. Many of the latter have been killed or wounded.

It is said that Aguinaldo has cabled to the government that he will soon release the Spaniards prisoners in the hands of the insurgents. This statement has not been confirmed.

### LATE NEWS NOTES.

Col. William J. Bryan, in a speech at Lincoln, Neb., vigorously opposed the acquisition of "vassal colonies."

The four-masted Philadelphia schooner Matilda D. Borda, Captain Norton was towed into port, having been blown 1,000 miles out of her course during the storm of November 26.

The cross-examination of Mrs. Cordelia Botkin was concluded in her trial at San Francisco, and the defense concluded its case.

Republican members of the present Legislature of Kansas have protested against the special session of that body which has been called by Governor Leedy, but without avail, as the Populists control both Houses.

It is expected that negotiations will soon be opened with the British government for the abrogation or amendment of the Bulwer-Clayton treaty. The President will not act, however, until he is convinced that Congress will pass a bill providing for the construction of the Nicaragua canal.

The Attorney General approved an opinion holding that a number of standard preparations should be exempt from the stamp tax on proprietary medicines.

Commercial organizations will endeavor to secure legislation to improve the consular service.

Filipino leaders have sent letters to Senator Hale urging the independence of the Philippines and protesting against a military occupation by the United States.

The commander of the Bennington has been ordered to take possession in the name of the United States of Wake Island, in the Pacific.

### Christmas Thoughts.

Once more we approach the social and ecclesiastical festival of Christmas, with its hallowed associations, and its season of family reunions and home rejoicings. What the season as an ecclesiastical function commemorates, there is today little need to point out, to minds at least that, despite the anxieties and doubtings of the time, have not lost their faith, though they may have become impatient with the creeds. To such the significance of the festival of Christmas is attested by the miriads of devout worshippers in the churches who, if they think at all, must see that they are there to testify to the unique character of the founder of Christianity and to the power, over reason and conscience alike, of His Gospel. It is further evidence of the influence of divine things when we see these worshippers, impelled by the charity which the Gospel above all virtues commends, realizing, especially at Christmastide, the claims of the poor, needy, or distressed among their fellow men, and seeking to bring into their hearts and lives, even for a brief while, the brightness and cheer of the sacred season. These acts of humanity and brotherhood, as the customary benevolences of the period, are emphatic proofs of belief in the Father of all and the religion of Christ, His Son. In an intellectual age, such as this, there must be more or less of questioning, especially with regard to a religion that has its mysteries as well as its plain and self-evident truths, and in a world which is the product of the Infinite as well as the Omnipotent. Criticism for the time, no doubt, has its work to do—a work that we doubt not will profit religion no less than man's intellect. Nor is Revelation, or rather the human interpretation of it, in no need of the illumination of great and reverend minds, and of the helpful criticism of experts, scholars and acute thinkers. On the contrary, it needs this, and it is the mark of progress as well as of true reasonableness that we should take this view of Biblical studies in religion and be grateful for rational and profitable inquiry, and also be sympathetic towards honest doubt.

## FOR COMMISSIONER

Henry Clay Brown Will be Urged For the Place.

**Death of Dr. Kemp B. Batchelor, Dr. T. B. Carroll Elected President. Unpicked Cotton on State Farms. Christmas Echoes.**

JOURNAL BERNEAU. RALEIGH, N. C., December 24. No matter where you turn there is a Christmas ring in the air, mingled with the noise of horns blown by happy fated boys as they congregate and march up and down the streets. The weather is just crisp enough to be pleasant but the greyish clouds one sees occasionally gives some little promise of a snow.

Mr. Henry Clay Brown who has been the clerk of the Railroad Commission office ever since it was formed will be urged for one of the new Commissioners. There could be no better selection as he is thoroughly conversant with everything pertaining to the office.

The news of the sudden death of Dr. Kemp B. Batchelor in Baltimore is heard here with the deepest sorrow. His father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Batchelor had gone to him. He died last night.

The State Association of Veterinary Surgeons met here in Raleigh. Dr. T. B. Carroll of Wilmington was elected president for the new year.

Mrs. Chas. L. Davis, U. S. A., who is stationed here in the Adjutant General's office as mustering out officer, has sent to the war department all papers and his final report of the muster out of the 2nd N. C. Regiment. He relieved Capt. Todd of this work and sent him to Fortress Monroe for his health. His mind had given way completely.

Chairman Dockery of the penitentiary board of directors says that not half of the cotton on the farms worked by the penitentiary has as yet been picked.

Overcome evil with good. Overcome your chills and colds with One Minute Cough Cure. It is so good children cry for it. It cures croup, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe and all throat and lung diseases. F. S. Duffy.

### STEAMERS COLLIDE.

**One Fireman Killed and Another Injured in the Crash.**

NEW YORK, December 23.—One man was instantly killed and another probably fatally injured in a collision which occurred off Liberty Island today between the freight steamer Idaho, of the Wilson Line, and the tramp steamer Flowergate.

The dead man was William Smith and the injured man John Birch. Both were firemen on the Idaho and were asleep at the time of the accident. The sleeping quarters of the crew are forward, which accounts for the injuries to the men.

Smith was nearly decapitated, one of the broken plates cutting his throat as he lay in his bunk. Birch had his collar bone on the right side torn out and may not recover.

Exactly how the accident happened no one seems to know, but the most general explanation is that the Idaho drifted with the outgoing tide until she struck the Flowergate, which was badly damaged forward.

The Idaho only arrived yesterday from Hull. She had already damaged her bows by striking an unknown obstruction. The Flowergate was at anchor waiting to sail for Philadelphia.

When you ask for De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve don't accept a counterfeit or imitation. There are more cases of Piles being cured by this, than all others combined. F. S. Duffy.

Don't fail to see my new stock of Opal Rings, Gems and Ladies Watches and Chains, Sterling Silver Match Safes, all new, just received. Will receive another package Monday night of up to date jewelry. Baxter The Jeweler, next to JOURNAL.

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ABSOLUTELY PURE  
Makes the food more delicious and wholesome  
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### NEGRO TROOPS

**Urged for Soldiers. Their Career Since Their Enlistment in the New Army.**

MACON, Ga., December 23.—It is reported that the two negro regiments stationed here are to be mustered out of service, no account of their general incapacity for military duty and because of the continued rioting and murderous conduct of members of their members since their enlistment.

One of the regiments is the now notorious Sixth Virginia, who have been so constantly before the public. It will be remembered that this regiment was so unmanageable soon after they left Virginia as to provoke the resignation of their white officers, which resignations have not yet been accepted.

These troops have been a constant source of annoyance wherever they have been stationed, several of their number having been killed in drunken riots.

The whole Virginia Regiment was at one time under arrest and were court martialed for unsoldierly conduct and given a sentence that was considered by disinterested parties as inadequate for their offence.

Mustering out the regiments would seem to be the happiest solution of the problem, which has given the military authorities no little trouble.

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### Miscegenation Case.

CUMBERLAND, Md., December 23.—Judge Boyd today sentenced John W. Bowling, colored, and his wife, Martha Craven, white, convicted of miscegenation to eighteen months in the penitentiary each, being the minimum penalty. Bowling, when asked if he had anything to say, said he married the girl in good faith, believing she had colored blood in her veins. The woman said nothing. The case, it is said, will be taken to the Court of Appeals.

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Will cure a Cough or Cold at once.  
It positively relieves all throat troubles. Small doses. Price 25c. at druggists.

### Beyond the Reach of a Kiss.

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**NEW BERNE STEAM LAUNDRY.**  
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### NOTICE TO AMEND CHARTER

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Our exhibit is so worthy that we suggest a trip to Raleigh to see it.

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